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Whatever Christmas shopping you do, do it early.

There are no serious regrets that the college football season is ended.

Those American engineers are going to take an important place in the war. Their service in the British drive toward Cambrai was only just an indication of what they will be able to perform.

Don't spend so much money on Christmas that you won't have any left to purchase bonds in the third Liberty loan. By March 1, probably, you will be called on to invest more money in government bonds.

There's a new reason for wanting to be president of the United States—that \$12,000 annual pin money bequeathed by an eccentric American to the wife of the chief executive. Nevertheless it is about the oddest bequest that has come to light in a long time.

If, as reported, there are some families in Burlington which have from 300 to 700 pounds of sugar hoarded, the houses ought to be raided by the government and the sugar distributed after the owners had been given a fair price for the article. In the present shortage of sugar it is not right to hold such large amounts while many people are absolutely without sugar.

The desirability of being forehanded is shown by the present condition of the state's institutions; they are practically all supplied with those articles for which there is such a great demand at the present time. State Purchasing Agent Hanley stocked them with supplies through contract bids some months ago. It is better to be forehanded than to be compelled to scratch around when the pinch comes.

With National Guard troops from every state of the United States now on European soil and getting ready for service against the Germans, it is certain that the American forces there are mounting up in such an impressive manner as to give promise of being an important factor in the victory over Germany. That army of a million men by spring does not seem to be such a dream after all.

No murder trial is complete, it seems, without the introduction of one long, hypothetical interrogation of the prisoner. The attorneys for one side or the other apparently do not feel that they have earned their money unless they depress the court, the witness, the jurors and the spectators by the presentation of a long-winded question, filled with technical terms and phrased in the intricate language of the courts; indeed, they seem to feel that their reputation for keenness is being seriously jeopardized unless they foist a frankfurter-sausage sentence put in the form of a question. So it is in the case of this Mrs. DeSaulles, who is accused of the murder of her husband. The apex of the trial may be considered as reached, for this long, hypothetical question has been fired at the prisoner. From now on there will be a rapid decline in the trial, for the attorneys have done their worst.

POOLING CHURCH INTERESTS.

Among the suggestions made by State Fuel Administrator H. J. M. Jones as to the methods by which fuel can be conserved is one which commends itself as particularly reasonable. We refer to the doubling up of church services by the holding of union meetings, or by the joint use of the same edifice in so far as that is possible. Each Sunday morning as many furnace fires as there are church edifices begin to send their spirals of smoke into the air, and the fires are maintained through the entire day and evening. Moreover, during the week there are prayer meetings, socials, missionary meetings and many other gatherings peculiar to church work; and on each and every occasion it is necessary to kindle the furnace fires and keep them going for some hours. Each of these fires accommodates a small group of people—no more than a dozen or so on some occasions like missionary meetings and class meetings; yet just as much coal or wood is burned as if the fires were warming the building for several hundred persons. It is a needless waste, and the time may come when we shall wish that we had been reasonable along this line, as well as along some other line, because of the acute shortage of fuel. Some of the church societies find themselves so nearly compatible that they might join in their services during the winter months and others are not so far apart but what they could come to an amicable agreement to utilize one church at different times of the day and shut up several edifices until the warmer weather. In this way a large amount of fuel could be saved and the churches could be run much more economically during the period of the year when the expenses of heating and lighting are going skyward. We may not feel the need of doing this at the present time, but if the increasing demand for fuel is not met by an accel-

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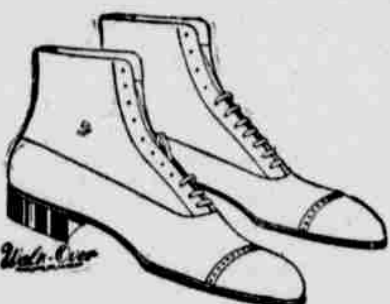
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erated production of fuel during the next 12 months it is probable that we shall be forced to take such a step. A reasonable step it would be, too.

THE NATIONAL GUARD ACROSS THE OCEAN.

It was no slight accomplishment for the war and navy departments of the United States to transfer a large section of the whole National Guard of the country across the ocean without the loss of a single transport and without accident of serious nature. This task seems herculean when it is considered that the eastern Atlantic is infested with German submarines and that they were probably directed to attack transports in preference to produce-carrying ships. In fact, a recent weekly report of British merchantship losses, in which it was stated that only a single ship of major size was lost during the week, is evidence enough that practically the entire complement of German submarines was taken off the pursuit of commerce ships and set on the trail of the transports carrying this contingent of the American forces. That the merchantship loss jumped back nearly to the normal the very next week is corroborative evidence that the U-boats were not looking for merchantships during the previous week but that they were after bigger game—the transports carrying scores of thousands of American soldiers. Yet, in spite of this vigilance of the skulking submarines, the transports passed safely through the danger zone and landed their precious loads on English and French soil. Just the exact number of troops transported is not known, but we have learned enough to give the impression that it was a large force. The transportation of them without loss reflects splendidly on the smooth working war machinery which is now operating in Washington and from Washington. It gives rise to the expectation that the war machine will become so well developed that it will prove the crushing blow to Germany and her allies.

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SUNDAY SERVICES AT THE CHURCHES

TIMES AND PLACES OF WORSHIP AND SUBJECTS OF SERMONS

First Presbyterian Church, Graniteville—Dr. J. F. Plimfield will preach at 10:30 a. m. Sunday school at 11:45 a. m. All are cordially invited to attend.

Church of the Good Shepherd—W. J. M. Beattie, rector. Holy communion and Evening prayer and sermon at 7 o'clock. Sunday school at 10:30. Sunday school at 11:30.

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints—Services held every Sunday in the Worthen block at 3 p. m. Everybody welcome to attend these services. No collection.

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints—Services held every Sunday in Worthen hall. Sunday school at 2 p. m. Meeting at 3 p. m. Everybody invited. No collection.

Washington Baptist Church—W. H. Bishop, pastor. Bible school at 12:30 noon. Preaching services at 1:30 p. m. Sermon by the pastor; theme, "What Is Your Creed?" All welcome.

St. John the Baptist Episcopal Church, Websterville—W. J. M. Beattie, rector. Evening prayer and sermon at 3 o'clock. Sunday school at 2 p. m. Service on Wednesday evening at 7:15. Choir rehearsal after service.

Christian Science Church—Service at 10:45 a. m. Wednesday evening meeting at 7:30. To these services all are welcome. The reading room is open Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 3 to 5 p. m. 7 Summer street.

Websterville Baptist Church—W. H. Bishop, pastor. 10:30 a. m., preaching service; sermon by the pastor; theme, "What Is Your Creed?" 11:45 a. m., Bible school. 7 p. m., song service and preaching by the pastor. All welcome.

Salvation Army—Sunday services: 3 p. m., Sunday school. Special service for children and young people. 8 p. m., salvation meeting; subject of sermon, "The Abandoned Water-Pot." Services conducted by Ensign Crawford. All are welcome.

East Barre Congregational Church—James Ramage, pastor. Preaching service at 10:30 a. m. The pastor will give a short talk to the young people on "Something That Always Brings Down." Sermon topic, "Carrying On." Sunday school at 11:45. Christian Endeavor at 7 p. m.

Brook Street Italian Church—J. F. Plimfield, pastor. Bible school at 3 p. m. Preaching service in Italian and English at 6:30 and 7 p. m., respectively. Theme of the sermon, "God, His Existence, Power and Love." Italian Women's club on Thursday at 2:15. Evening classes for the teaching of Italian and English are still open to newcomers.

First Baptist Church—Bert J. Lehigh, pastor; residence, 27 Franklin street. The pastor will preach on Sunday at 10:30 and 7 o'clock. Morning subject, "Peter Prayed Out of Prison." Evening theme, "Without Christ." Bible school at 12 o'clock. Y. P. S. C. E. at 6 o'clock. Prayer and praise service Thursday evening at 7:30. Everyone welcome at all services of the church.

First Presbyterian Church, corner of Seminary and Sumner streets—Edgar Crossland, minister. 10:30 a. m., subject of sermon, "The Supreme Social Need of Modern Life." Sunday school at noon. 7 p. m., topic of address, "How Goes the Battle?" An outlook upon the present state of the world conflict. Everybody welcome. Seats free. Tuesday, 7:30 p. m., men's club meeting. Theron S. Dean of Burlington will give a stereoscopic lecture on "The Long Trail." Ladies' night.

Hedding Methodist Episcopal Church—Bailey Gatzert Lipsky, pastor. Morning service at 10:30; sermon theme, "The Church's Responsibility for Religious Education." Evening service at 7:30; sermon theme, "Christ's Idea of the Saved

Life." Ten-minute war talk: "Germany's Method of Rise to Power." Sunday school at 11:45. Missionary Sunday. Epworth league at 6 p. m. Reading and discussion of "That Printer of Udell's." Class meeting Tuesday at 7:30 p. m. Prayer service Thursday, 7:30 p. m.; topic, "Christ's Call for Allegiance," Luke 9.

Universalist Church—John B. Beardon, minister. Public worship and sermon at 10:30; subject, "Freedom Through the Truth." Bible study at 11:45; subject, "Nehemiah Builds the Walls of Jerusalem." Devotional meeting of the Young People's Christian union at 6; subject, "Our Membership Pledge"; leader, Marjorie Love. At the Sunday morning service Prof. W. A. Wheaton will play "Andante Religioso" (Hesse). The quartet will sing "By the Waters of Babylon" (Howell) and "O God, the Rock of Ages" (Gray). Organ offertory, "Offertoire in F Minor" (Battiste).

Congregational Church—Rev. James B. Sargent, pastor of the Congregational church in Northfield, will have charge of both services to-morrow. Mr. Sargent was the delegate from the Congregational churches of Washington county to the national council, held at Columbus, O., last summer, and as this meeting was very important the report that the speaker will give to-morrow morning will be especially pertinent. He will preach at the evening service. Morning service at 10:30. Sunday school at 12. Junior meeting at 3 o'clock. Evening service at 6:45. Midweek meeting on Thursday evening at 7:30. The following is the music for the day: Morning—Organ, Prelude to "The Deluge" (Saint-Saens); anthem, "Ye Shall Dwell in the Land" (Stainer); offertory tenor solo, "Gloria" (Buzzi-Peccini). Evening—Anthem, "The Earth Is the Lord's" (Loh) and "Thou'rt With Me" (Sullivan-Scott).

WATERBURY

John Healey and Mrs. Sumner Blaisdell Died Thursday Night.

Another of the older residents passed away Thanksgiving night at the age of 76 years, John Healey, who was born in Cork, Ireland, in 1841. At the age of nine years he came to America, locating first in Massachusetts for two years, then going to Walsfield and to Duxbury, where he made his home for several years. Here on a farm on Crossett hill he was respected as a good neighbor and friend. He sold his farm and moved to the village a few years ago. Fifty-one years ago he married Mary Harrington of Manchester, N. H. She died several years ago. An only son, William Healey, was accidentally killed a few years ago, making a big break in the family circle. Mr. Healey has been in poor health for some time, his death being caused from a general breaking down of the system. The deceased is survived by five daughters, Miss Anna Healey, Mrs. Robert Grace and Mrs. John Keefe of this town, Miss Alice Healey of the Barre City schools, and Mrs. Martin Spillacy of Montpelier. There are 14 grandchildren. The funeral was held from St. Andrew's church, of which he had been a life-long member, this morning at 10 o'clock, Rev. Robert Devoy officiating, with burial in the Holy Cross cemetery.

Mrs. Sumner Blaisdell died at her home on Union street Thursday night of a complication of diseases. Augusta Woodward was born in Waterbury, daughter of Lyman and Caroline (Sawyer) Woodward. She was educated in the public schools of her native town and taught for several terms in this vicinity. On Nov. 26, 1872, she was married to George Sumner Blaisdell. Two other couples, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gale of Stowe and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Walker of this town were married the same day and accompanied them on a wedding trip, all returning on Thanksgiving day, just 45 years before the day of her death. The deceased is survived by her husband and two sisters, Mrs. J. E. Pixley of Port Clinton, Ohio, who arrived a few days ago, accompanied by her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. James Hollinshead and

daughter of the same place. Mrs. Blaisdell was a member of the Little River Baptist church and of Emerald Rehekah lodge, No. 33. The funeral will be held from her late home to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. Burial in the village cemetery.

Most of the lines of the New England Telephone company are now in working order again after the storm of a week ago Thursday. Wire Chief Stranahan, a former Waterbury boy, says that in his 12 years' work with the company he has never seen anything that demolished the lines like that storm. Four poles north of the river were blown over, taking with them the trunk lines. Special lines were broken, and all kinds of trouble was in store for the company, who have repaired the trouble as fast as the men could work.

The recent death of Nathaniel Thomas in Keene, N. H., removes one who had formerly lived about here, at one time on the Somerville farm in Duxbury, now owned by the state. He was 72 years of age and was the son of Willis and Rachel (Johnson) Thomas, and a brother of the late Iphigene Thomas of Duxbury.

Recent guests of Mrs. A. G. Stevens were Mrs. Mary Barrows Hall, and her daughter of Boston, and Mrs. Frank Kimball of Burlington. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stevens were also at home for Thanksgiving.

Mrs. Greta Perkins Evans, Miss Norma Perkins, and Lieut. Parker from Camp Devens at Ayer, Mass., were the Thanksgiving guests of Representative and Mrs. V. L. Perkins.

Miss Frances Harris is spending the vacation at her home in Oakland. Letters received from Rev. William L. Boicourt, written Nov. 6, tell of his continuing good health and much of his activities. An interesting account is given of the French Memorial day. He has probably returned to Lyons, France.

Mrs. Helen P. Lathrop is more comfortable but is still confined to the bed.

Letters from both Lyle and Edmund Webster have been received by their parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Webster. Both have arrived safely in France and are located about one and a half miles apart. They tell in an interesting manner of their meeting in a Y. M. C. A. camp.

Dr. and Mrs. Leo Newcomb of Montpelier returned yesterday, having been guests of the doctor's mother at the Center.

Walter Hall is moving from the Warren farm on Little River to the tenement of Edgar Vaughn at the Center.

Mrs. Luke Flynn, who is at the Fanny Allen hospital, seems to be gradually improving.

There was a family gathering at the home of Charles Towne Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Perry and two sons and Mr. and Mrs. Myron Hutchins were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hodge. Mrs. Perry and children remaining for a few days.

Misses Pauline Bidwell and Annie Dorothy Palmer are home from Lyndon institute for the Thanksgiving recess.

Floyd Arkley and Schuyler Berry are home from Montpelier seminary. Clifton McCormick returns to-morrow noon to his studies at Holy Cross college, Worcester, Mass. John Moran, S. Y., who is an instructor there, returned Friday noon.



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and entertainment will be given in the opera house Tuesday afternoon and evening. In the afternoon the Junior Glee club will sing under direction of Miss Lena Wallace. In the evening musical selections will be rendered by Miss Flora Parcher, Miss Mildred Breene, Miss Susie Manning and Mrs. Magnus, and reading by John Burley. Reserved seats will be exchanged at the White Cross pharmacy to-day.

George Mansfield has been appointed by the selectmen as road commissioner, to fill the unexpired term of Henry Harvey, who has resigned.

At St. Andrew's church to-morrow, Rev. Robert Devoy, rector, high mass and sermon will be at 10:30. The catechism classes meet at 3 o'clock. The Rosary and benediction of the blessed sacrament at 7:30. Father Devoy will celebrate mass at the Vermont state hospital at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning. On Sunday, also a collection will be taken up at all masses in every church of the diocese of Burlington for the double purpose of bringing cheer and comfort to our American troops at home and abroad. One half will be forwarded to the pope for distribution among the starving victims of the war in European countries; the other half to be forwarded to the supreme knight of the Knights of Columbus to be expended for the benefit of our own soldier boys.

At the Christian Advent church the subject of the sermon by the pastor, Rev. A. D. Page, will be "The Seven Churches, or a Picture of the Church to the Present Day."

At the Methodist Episcopal church, Rev. Dr. F. W. Hodgson, eastern representative of the congregational board of ministerial relief will preach. It is also possible that he may speak in the morning. The young people's society is now called the Young People's Christian association, and aims to serve the social, recreational and religious interests of the young people of the community. The officers are as follows: President, Mrs. Helen Lathrop; secretary, Christina Anderson; treasurer, Carroll Swasey; first vice-president, Dorothy Grow; second vice-president, Etta Graves; third vice-president, C. C. Penny; fourth vice-president, Lilla Morse; pianist, Ina Billings. The vice-presidents are chairmen of the

program, service, social and membership committees respectively. Officers of the recently federated Waterbury Community club are: President C. B. Adams; secretary, Max G. Ayers; first vice-president, V. L. Smith; second vice-president, T. Y. Allen; third vice-president, B. R. Demeritt.

WEBSTERVILLE

Mrs. C. E. Catchpough of Greenfield, Mass., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mitchell.

Miss Edith Raycraft of St. Johnsbury spent Thanksgiving with her parents. James Todriff and Alex Neddeau of Springfield, Mass., are visiting in town. William Donahue and William McFarlane went on a hunting trip to Chelsea, Thursday.

Mrs. Henry Turcott is in Barre visiting her brother, Fred Amey.

Misses Josephine and Alma Rouleau left this morning for Quincy, Mass., where they have employment.

Charles Amey, Henry Turcott, Francis Duprey and Docie Berrard went to Quincy, Mass., Friday, where they will seek employment.

Nelson Doby of Claremont, N. H., is in town, being called here by the death of his mother, Mrs. Adeline Doby.

Burt Stewart, who has been employed here for some weeks, went to Canada Monday morning.

Miss Mary LaSasso was very pleasantly surprised Wednesday evening, when about 50 young friends escorted her to LaSasso's hall, where the evening was spent in dancing and playing games. During the evening Miss LaSasso was presented a sum of money.

John Lawson lost a valuable horse Thursday, it being one of his pair of working horses.

Mr. and Mrs. George Morissette and S. A. Nolan spent Thursday in Montpelier.

Peter Bouffard, who has been ill for the past week, is rapidly improving.

Mrs. Beck of Barre spent Thursday with her sister, Mrs. James Moore.

William Doby of Keene, N. H., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Doby.

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